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TAGS: OVIP (SCHEEL, WALTER), GW

SUBJECT: PROPOSED STATE VISIT BY FEDERAL PRESIDENT SCHEEL

REF: STATE 017055

1. WHITE HOUSE WOULD APPRECIATE PRESIDENT SCHEEL'S REACT ON
TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DATES--MAY 27,28 OR 29--AS OPERATIVE
DATE FOR STATE VISIT.

2. EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM FRG THAT ACCORDING U.S. PROTOCOL,
STATE VISIT OF THIS NATURE NORMALLY LASTS SIX DAYS, INCLUDING
TWO DAYS AND TWO NIGHTS IN WASHINGTON AND FOUR DAYS
ELSEWHERE IN U.S. OFFICIAL PARTY IS LIMITED TO 12 INCLUDING
CHIEF OF STATE AND HIS WIFE. PARTY GENERALLY ARRIVES ON EVE

OF OFFICIAL START OF VISIT AT DESTINATION OTHER THAN--BUT
CLOSE TO--WASHINGTON (E.G., WILLIAMSBURG). VISIT OFFICIALLY
BEGINS FOLLOWING MORNING WITH CHIEF OF STATE TAKEN BY
HELICOPTER TO WHITE HOUSE LAWN FOR OFFICIAL WELCOME BY
PRESIDENT, FOLLOWED BY SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS AT WHITE

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HOUSE. PROTOCOL CALLS FOR WHITE OR BLACK TIE WHITE HOUSE

DINNER AND LUNCHEON HOSTED BY SECRETARY OF STATE ON SAME DATE. SECOND DAY OF WASHINGTON PORTION OF VISIT CAN, IN

ACCORD WITH WISHES OF VISITING CHIEF OF STATE, BE DEVOTED TO MEETINGS WITH OTHER CABINET OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, THE PRESS, ETC. CHIEF OF STATE AND OTHER MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL PARTY WILL RESIDE AT BLAIR HOUSE DURING TWO-DAY STAY IN WASHINGTON. REMAINDER OF U.S. ITINERARY CAN ALSO BE DEVELOPED IN ACCORD WITH PREFERENCES OF STATE VISITOR.

3. DETAILS ON PROTOCOL GOVERNING STATE VISITS BEING POUCHED TO EMBASSY (MEEHAN).

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ASCERTAINING SOONEST PRESIDENT SCHEEL'S PREFERENCE, BEARING IN MIND THAT DATE FOR VISIT SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY WHITE HOUSE. KISSINGER

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